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Applicants : Lloyd E. Fladgard and Scott C. Fladgard

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Title : EXTENDED LIFE CUTTING BLADES FOR HAND-HELD CUTTING TOOLS

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated October 18, 2005, and herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a two-month extension of time for filing this response from January 18, 2006, to March 18, 2006. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$225, to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 6.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 11 of this paper.